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The following is a condensed and edited text of a document prepared early in June by the Hanoi Branch of the Communist Party of Indochina (PCI). This document has been circulated secretly to all local organizers..

Decision of the Committee of the Hanoi Branch of the Communist Party of Indochina, 28 May 1950.

OUTLINE OF CAMPAIGN - MAY TO SEPTEMBER 1950

Present Situation of the Party

The increase in party membership has not reached the level enticipated. During the first four months of 1950 we did not make much progress-only 40 percent (sic).

Our propaganda is not yet fully covering the populous quarters and factories. We are short of newspapers and pamphlets for distribution.

Our cells are not sufficiently active. Cells have not yet been formed in the important streets and at the street corners.

The various classes of the population have not been stirred from their apathy.

We need many local organizers (can-bo) on the lower levels. We still have to form groups of "resistants."

Party members have the bad habit of underestimating our opponents.

In short, during the past four months we have made little progress. Propaganda and practical efforts have not produced adequate results. Henceforth we must build up cells, form new local leaders and intensify the education of the party members.

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2. Precepts for Future

- a. Propaganda must be increased among the workers, students, small shop-keepers and civil servents; and cells must be formed within each category.
- b. The number of party adherents in the densely populated districts, in the armed forces and in the police must be quadrupled.
- c. Every party member must be courageous and industrious.
- $d_{\,\circ}$ The meaning and objectives of Communism must be expounded to the people.
- Workers and pessants must be shown where their real personal interests lie.
- f. All precautions must be taken against the activities of the French Douxieme Bureau.
- g. Cells must intensify their activity.
- h. We must seek by every means to paralyse the economy of our adversaries.
- We must arrange competitive entrance examinations for a course of instructions preparatory to the General Attack which is to take place shortly.
- j. Party members must at all times be courteous and friendly towards all classes of the population, in order to create conditions favorable to the reception of propagands and the formation of cells.
- $k_{\,\circ}$ We must formulate a clear plan of campaign.

3. Formation of Local Can-bo

- a. Every cen-bo must have a thorough understanding of Communism. He must also have the ability to command.
- b. He must be capable of explaining the current world situation and the aims of our struggle.
- e. He must always strive to create unrest among the workers,
- d. It is the duty of each can-bo to educate and train at least three party members to become can-bo.

4. Internal Regulations

- a. Every cell will have a secure place for safeguarding essential documents.
- b. Every cell will have its own Secretary, who will be the cell leader.
- c. Every cell will endeavor to acquire means of obtaining prior information on the intentions of our opponents.

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- d. Each person will at night examine his day's work with the object of discovering its defects and of correcting his own shortcomings.
- Each person will render a clear report to his cell-leader of any intelligence he acquires.
- f. The following general failings must be eliminated:

Delay in communications.
Unpunctuality in keeping appointments.
Disobedience of the regulations.
Underestimation of opponents.

Party mombers in Hanoi are frequently guilty of the above failings,

In the light of the above we shall hold a general survey of progress on 19 August 1950.

5. General Plan of Action

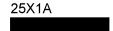
- a. Every can-be must be in the closest touch with the messes, from whom he must obtain all information possible.
- b. Propaganda must be striking in its effect.
- c. Every can-bo must recognize and correct his own failings. He must not despise the masses.
- d. Workers and students must be organized into unions; and be warned to prepare themselves for the general attack.
- 9. All Communist regulations must be strictly applied.
- f. Each member must be prepared, for the purposes of the party, to accept employment in the Bao Dai administration.
- g. Work must begin immediately by organizing "resistance groups."
- h. A Youth hesistance League must be formed, of which the can-bo will be branch leader in his particular district.
- Boys! Leagues of newspaper-sellers, ice-cream vendors, bootblacks, etc. should be formed.
- is momen's associations must be created in all classes of society.
- k. Resistance must be fostered under the cover of associations for Fine arts, Hygiene, Red Cross, etc. and of the Sino-Vietnomese Society of Friendship.
- 1. All these leagues and associations must be started by the month of July. No obstacle must be allowed to prevent this. No opportunity for spreading propagands may be missed. The can-bos, the party members and the members of the various leagues must work in unison.

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m. The can-be will apply party principles in directing the struggle.

They will prepare demolition squads whose duty it will be to destroy property, factory installations and administrative offices. However, these squads will prevent the destruction of property and installations by the opponents themselves.

 n_{\star} The population must be made aware of the significance of the general attack which is to take place shortly.

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